

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

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United States of America,

Case No. 21-cr-173 (WMW/DTS)

Plaintiff,

**ARRAIGNMENT ORDER**

v.

Gisela Castro Medina (2),

Defendant.

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An arraignment hearing was held before the undersigned United States Magistrate Judge on September 23, 2021. Angela Munoz and Emily Polachek, Assistant United States Attorneys, appeared on behalf of the Government; Ryan Garry and Elizabeth Duel, Retained Counsel, appeared on behalf of Defendant, who was present.

Defendant identified herself by name and age, waived a reading of the Indictment, and entered a plea of not guilty. Pursuant to Local Rule 12.1 (copy attached);

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

1. The government must make all disclosures required by Fed. R. Crim. P. 16(a) by **September 30, 2021**. D. Minn. LR 12.1(a)(1). In order to avoid the need for a recess of the motions hearing, the Government is requested to make by **September 30, 2021**, all disclosures that will be required by Fed. R. Crim. P. 26.2 and 12(h).

2. As required by rule 5(f) of the Rules of Criminal Procedure, the United States is ordered to disclose all exculpatory evidence to the defendant as required by *Brady v. Maryland* and its progeny. Failure to do so in a timely manner may result in sanctions, including exclusion of evidence, adverse jury instructions, dismissal of charges, contempt proceedings, disciplinary action, or sanctions by the Court.

3. Defendant must make all disclosures required by Fed. R. Crim. P. 16(b) by **October 7, 2021**. D. Minn. LR 12.1(a)(2).

4. All motions in the above-entitled case must be filed and served consistent with Fed. R. Crim. P. 12(b) and 47 on or before **October 14, 2021**.<sup>1</sup> D. Minn. LR12.1(c)(1).

5. Counsel must electronically file a statement of consent of non-consent to a motion hearing by video on or before **October 14, 2021**.

6. Counsel must electronically file a letter on or before **October 14, 2021**, if no motions will be filed and there is no need for a motions hearing.

7. All responses to motions must be filed by **October 28, 2021**. D. Minn. LR 12.1(c)(2).

8. Any Notice of Intent to Call Witnesses<sup>2</sup> must be filed by **October 28, 2021**. D. Minn. LR 12.1(c)(3)(A).

9. Any Responsive Notice of Intent to Call Witnesses<sup>3</sup> must be filed by **November 1, 2021**. D. Minn. LR 12.1(c)(3)(B).

10. A motions hearing will be held pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 12(c) where:

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<sup>1</sup> “Before filing a motion under Fed. R. Crim. P. 12(b), the moving party must confer with the responding party. The parties must attempt in good faith to clarify and narrow the issues in dispute.” D. Minn. LR 12.1(b).

<sup>2</sup> “When a party intends to call witnesses at a hearing on a motion under Fed. R. Crim. P. 12(b), the party must file a notice within 35 days after the arraignment. The notice must identify the number of witnesses whom the party intends to call, the motion or motions that each witness will be addressing, and the estimated duration of each witness’s testimony.” D. Minn. LR 12.1(c)(3)(A).

<sup>3</sup> “If after reviewing a notice under LR 12(c)(3), a party intends to call witnesses at the same hearing, that party must file a responsive notice within 38 days after the arraignment. The responsive party must identify the number of witnesses whom the party intends to call, the motion or motions each witness will be addressing, and the estimated duration of each witness’s testimony.” D. Minn. LR 2.1(c)(3)(B).

- a. The Government makes timely disclosures and defendant identifies in the motions particularized matters for which an evidentiary hearing is necessary; or
- b. Oral argument is requested by either party in its motion, objection, or responsive pleadings.

11. If required, the motions hearing will be heard before Magistrate Judge David T. Schultz on **November 16, 2021 at 1:00 pm** in Courtroom 9E, 300 South Fourth Street, Minneapolis unless Defendant consents to hearing by video conference. D. Minn. LR 12.1(d).

12. **TRIAL**

- a. **If no pretrial motions are filed by defendant**, the following trial and trial-related dates are:
  - (i) All motions in limine and proposed voir dire and jury instructions are due in District Judge Wilhelmina Wright's chambers at least 21 days before the trial date. Counsel are advised that a pretrial notice will issue that will include additional deadlines.
  - (ii) This case shall commence trial on **December 1, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.** before District Judge Wilhelmina M. Wright in Courtroom 7A, Warren E. Burger Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, 316 North Robert Street, Saint Paul, Minnesota.
- b. **If pretrial motions are filed**, the trial date, and other related dates will be rescheduled following the ruling on pretrial motions. Counsel must contact the Courtroom Deputy for District Judge **Wilhelmina M. Wright** to confirm the new trial date.

Dated: September 24, 2021

s/ Becky R. Thorson  
Becky R. Thorson  
United States Magistrate Judge